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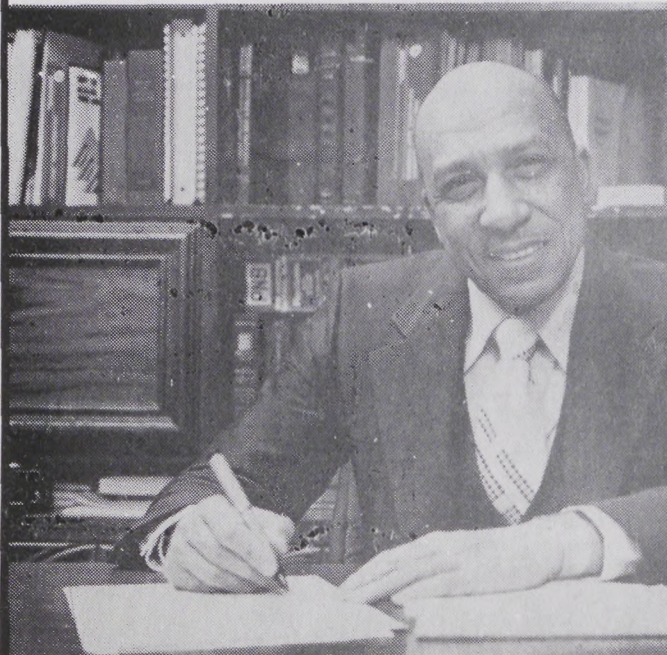
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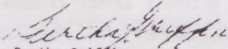
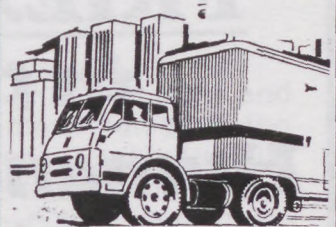
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Dear Friend:

I wish to compliment City National Bank on its fine report in the Thursday, March 20th issue of the Star Ledger (copy attached). As a small businessperson in the City of Edison, I can truly appreciate the difficulties involved in maintaining a business, trying to hold on and go forward. This article represents a prime example and a lesson to be learned, that through unity and cooperation, goals once dreamed of are now obtainable. The time is now for everyone to become a depositor at City National Bank to help our community and ourselves.

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# NAMES IN THE NEWS...

by Maria Martinez

(names in the news)

Between Room 1540 in the Biltmore Hotel, at 43rd and Madison and the Garden, I recorded many names in the news of Jerseyans attending the recent Democratic National Convention, such as Mayor KENNETH GIBSON at the Garden saving a young lady from falling and brown-suited ELTON HILL, in and out of the hotel and PEARL BEATTY rushing here and there and KITTY TAYLOR with NELLIE GRIER and DOROTHY GOWDY. . .

I posed with both JOSEPH RYLES and ABBIE STEBINS of the Newark League of Women Voters, talked to big WILLIE BROWN, the assemblyman at Essex County headquarters, talked to busy TAWANA BRINSON, wife of After Hours publisher CARL (TINY) BRINSON. Met LINZO JENKINS again, head of the Human Rights Commission, JOHN HARVARD, SHIRLEY GREEN, director of Welfare, CHESTER BROWN of the Gibson Civic Assn that hosted the crowds coming to Room 1540. SANDY WARD, GERI SMITH, MARY LANGLEY, M.C.. ALEXANDER, PRAVIN PATEL, JENNY BELLINI, KEITH REID, CLARENCE THOMAS, and JOHN MARTIN were all there.

Also CAROL A. WILSON and EARL WILLIAMS and ALBERTA MATTHEWS and LESLIE PENN and CHERYL FULLER and WALLACE WHITE and GLADYS B. CANCEL, GLEN DOERS of MPDO was there, JESSE JONES, VIVIAN McCOY, CHARLIE McNEIL, DORIS BELLAMY, LYNDIA HANKERSON, LOUCINDA MOORE, MANDELL DORCH, JIM ROBINSON, JAMES SCOTT, HELEN COHEN, HOPE JACKSON, ANNE LYONS, CLARENCE PONE, CHESTER BROWN, WALLACE WHITE.

Also CURTIS BATTLE, CYNTHIA BRAITHEWAITE, GWENDOLYN TROTMAN, of L.I.; JAMES BOATNEY, AL PROCELLA, TERRY REILLY of the Sheriff's office, RICH McCLISH, DENNIS CHEROT, WILLIAM HARWOOD, FRED STEWART, president of New Day Inc.

Freeholder LINCOLN TURNER was in a gay mood, I walked with Ms. BELLINI from the Biltmore to the Garden and back, stopping for Chinese food. I found the yellow taxis did not overcharge, for I did not drive but took the old No. 118 bus.

Total impression of my first national political convention: not one in the lively Gibson suite ever doubted but that JIMMY CARTER would win, despite the great speech of Sen. TED KENNEDY.

**Names in the News - Cont.**

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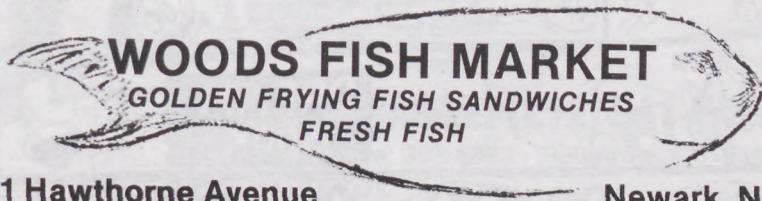
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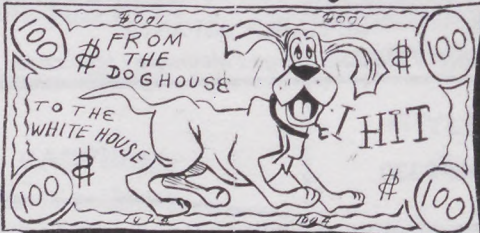
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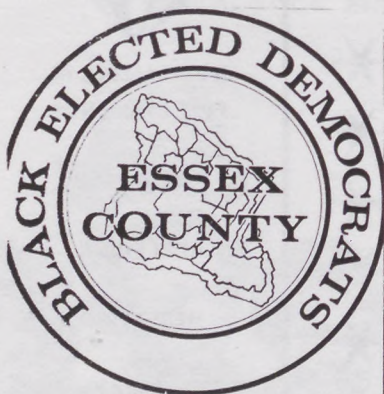
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by Butler Webb

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ELVINA JACKSON of North Newark noted club and churchwoman, former beauty shop owner, noted pianist and well-known designer is this year's general chairman, Mrs Helen Monk is co-chairman and other chairladies are Dorothy Foster, Geraldine Saunders, and Bernice Sanders. Myrtle Seaman, Ethel Thorp, Mrs. R. Nyrd and Vivian Makle are on the Hall committee. Judge Golden Johnson is honorary chairman.

Sam Foster of the Boy's Club opened the meeting with a prayer for success. Others present were Dennis Tucker of American Airlines who sponsors the pre-fashion show reception to be held this year at The Paradisio, Myrtle Seaman, Inez Owens, Mable Bolden, Marie Jackson, Dorothy Foster, and others. All enjoyed the delicious luncheon served following the meeting.

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**THE CORBINS FETED**— Albert and Jessie Corbin, formerly of Edison, but now settled in Jacksonville, Fla. were feted last Saturday in the lovely garden of the George Avents in Plainfield.

Mrs Minnie Avent in burnt orange hostess gown, festooned with white flowers, sat with guests on the patio, joined in reminiscences of all, traded poetry with singer Newington Kiah Redella Cohen and reminded Stanley Cohen that the press had named him the "black Fred Astaire," due to his dancing skills at a past lawn party by the Brewington Kiah in Montclair.

George Avent was never still, waiting on the guests who admired the flower beds and marveled at the huge pile of wood logs he had piled at the foot of the garden for the coming winter.

The Corbins come north each summer and are feted both in Jamaica L.I. Where they once lived and in Jersey. They brought along two nieces, one of them named Carmen.

Guests included, in addition to the above, Adele Daniels, and Mary White of Rahway, Thedasia Francis of Avenel, Dorothy Mitchell of Montclair, Helen Moore, Rahway; Dorothy Davis, Rahway; Louise Jackson of Colonia and others.



ROBIN WILSON, "MISS FASHIONTEEN"— 11 year old Robin Wilson of East Orange in expensive lace evening gown became "Miss Fashionteen" Sunday night at Holiday Inn, Jetport, winning over runner-ups Latrice Reese of Vaux Hall, Melissa Johnson of Irvington, Renee Smith of Newark, and Shawn Baskerville, of Newark, the four runner-ups.

Other contenders were Shirell Norman of Newark, Cemica Blye of Belleville, Stephanie Epps of Hillside, Hope Bey of Newark, Safiyyah Islam of Newark of Irvington Cassandra Smalls of Irvington, and Cheryl Darling of Newark.

Sharon Carswell, executive directress of the Miss Fashionteen Pageant, emceed the entire complicated show with great skill, after being introduced by her mother, Mrs Rentesia Thomas. Others on the program were Bre Deewand Thomas, Lisa Crapps, the dancer, Esney davis, Bonnie Jackson, another dancer and of course Donna Beckwith, 1979 "Miss Fashionteen" who escribed her triumphs during the year and wept when she had to surrender her crown.

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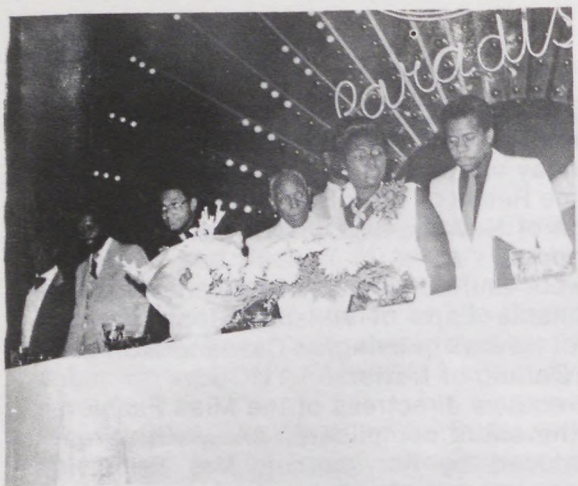
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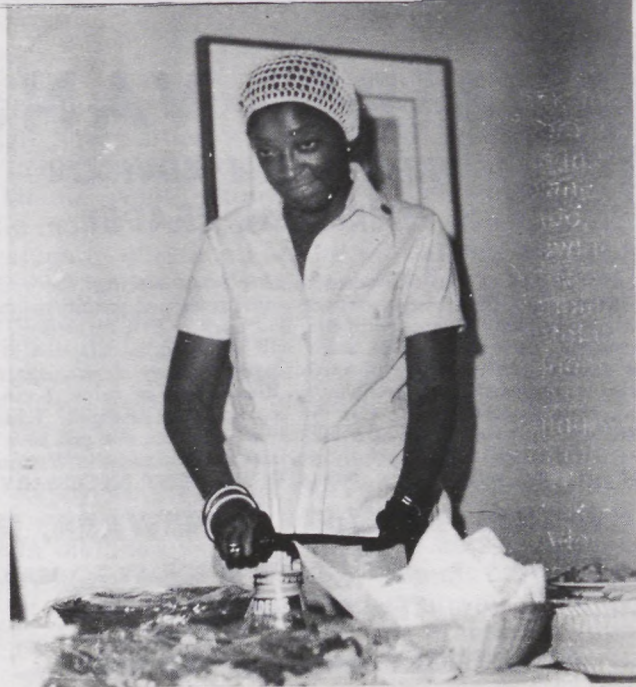


**DAIS GUESTS—** At Brothers Unlimited salute to Essex County College instructor Doris E. Green dais members were Micheal Terrell, James Moore, principal; Principal Marie Bagby, Judge Ervin B. Booker and wife, Mrs Green Atty. William Manns, Horace Booker, the Rev. William Reed, Farley Marin and Leon Chapman. Foto shows section of the long dais.

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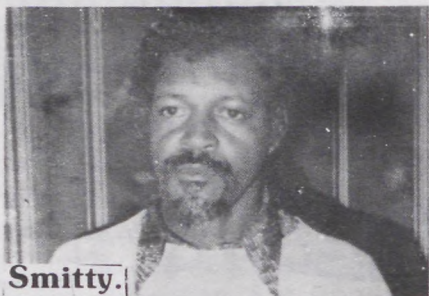


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If any further questions develop, state, county, and municipal energy offices are available to render some assistance. Also, there are local & area agencies set up to assist in energy conservation.

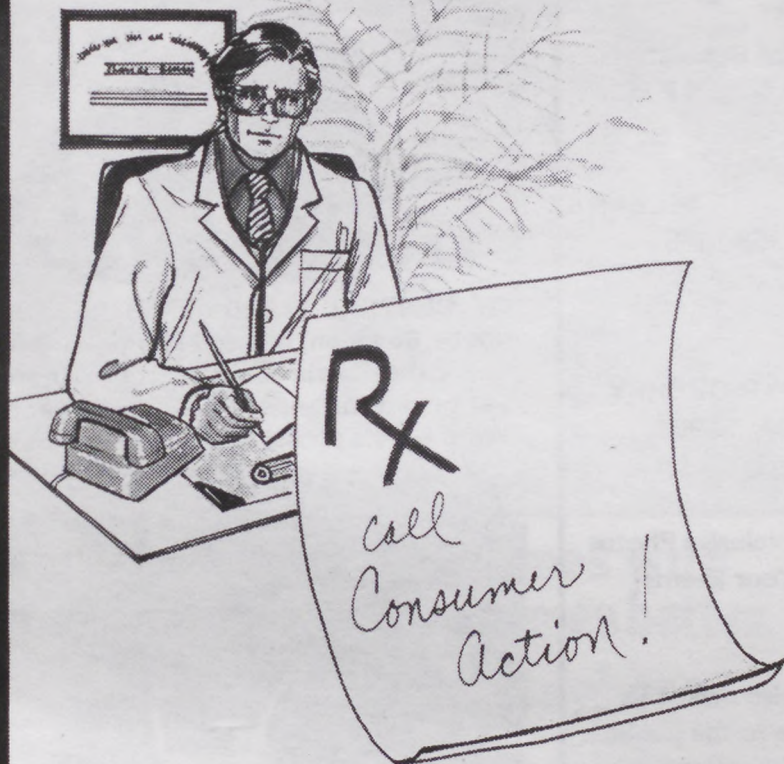
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